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11. SUMMARY: UAE'S PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA ALL REPORTED THE VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE RICHARD ARMITAGE TO THE UAE APRIL 20-21 AND HIS MEETINGS WITH UAEG OFFICIALS. COVERAGE WAS STRAIGHTFORWARD WITH NO EDITORIALS OR COMMENTS. END SUMMARY.

12. THE VISIT TO THE UAE APRIL 20-21 BY DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE, RICHARD ARMITAGE RECEIVED PROMINENT COVERAGE IN ALL UAE'S PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA. ON THE DAY OF HIS ARRIVAL, THE UAE SATELLITE CHANNEL SHOWED A SNIP OF HIS MEETING WITH RASHED ABDULAH AL-NUAIMI, UAE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

13. ON THE FOLLOWING DAY, ALL ARABIC AND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE DAILIES REPORTED THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AL-NUAIMI WITH PHOTOS. THE PAPERS ALSO REPORTED THE ARRIVAL WHERE D/S WAS MET BY UAE FOREIGN MINISTRY U/S ABDULLAH RASHED AND U.S. AMBASSADOR MARCELLE WAHBA.

SAMPLE HEADLINES:

-- SHARJAH-BASED AND UAE'S LARGEST CIRCULATION ARABIC DAILY "AL-KHALEEJ" 4/21 HEADLINED: "THE U.S. DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE VISITED QATAR. RASHED ABDULLAH REVIEWS WITH ARMITAGE THE DEVELOPMENTS IN IRAQ AND THE PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES."
(CIRCULATION 75,000)

-- ABU DHABI-BASED SEMI-OFFICIAL ARABIC DAILY "AL-ITTIHAD" HEADLINED: "RASHED ABDULLAH REVIEWS WITH ARMITAGE THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN IRAQ AND PALESTINE." (CIRCULATION 55,000)

14. THE UAE SATELLITE CHANNEL IN ABU DHABI, DUBAI TV AND SHARJAH TV FEATURED HIS MEETING WITH SHEIKH KHALIFA BIN ZAYID AL-NAHYAN, ABU DHABI CROWN PRINCE AND DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE UAE ARMED FORCES AND SHEIKH MUHAMMAD BIN ZAYID AL-NAHYAN, DEPUTY CROWN PRINCE AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE UAE ARMED FORCES. THE ANNOUNCER READ SHEIKH KHALIFA'S STATEMENT, WHICH WAS CARRIED THE NEXT DAY IN ALL PRINT MEDIA.

15. ON APRIL 22, ALL ARABIC AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILIES HIGHLIGHTED THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH SHEIKH KHALIFA. THE PAPERS CITED KHALIFA AS SAYING: "THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ SHOULD BE VIEWED AS A SINGLE INTEGRATED ENTITY FOR THE SAKE OF STABILITY AND SECURITY AND FOR ALLOWING THEM TO POOL RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT." THE ARTICLES ALSO STATE THAT KHALIFA STRESSED THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF REVIVING THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE, JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE REGION.

SAMPLE HEADLINES:

-- DUBAI-BASED LARGEST ENGLISH-LANGUAGE DAILY "GULF NEWS": "KHALIFA RECEIVES ARMITAGE. UAE REAFFIRMS SUPPORT TO IRAQ STABILITY EFFORTS." (CIRCULATION 90,000)

-- FRONT-PAGE HEADLINE IN "AL-KHALEEJ" READ: "RECEIVING THE DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, KHALIFA REITERATES (UAE) SUPPORT OF IRAQ STABILITY AND PROTECTION OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE."
(CIRCULATION 75,000)

-- "AL-KHALEEJ", PAGE 4 ADDED:
"RECEIVING ARMITAGE AND BURNS AND DEMANDING A NEED FOR THE PROTECTION OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, KHALIFA REITERATES UAE KEENNESS ON THE STABILITY AND INDEPENDENCE OF IRAQ UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF A UNIFIED GOVERNMENT."

16. COVERAGE WAS IDENTICAL IN ALL MEDIA BASED ON A REPORT BY THE OFFICIAL UAE NEWS AGENCY (WAM). THERE WERE NO EDITORIALS OR COMMENTS BASED ON THE VISIT.

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